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# Fatalities

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**Two service members were electrocuted when they contacted a low hanging high voltage power line.**



## Important information to remember:

- Watch for low hanging power wires in built up urban areas, treat all wires as a danger.
- Do not assume all low overhead wires are telephone, computer or TV antenna wires.
- Maintain situational awareness in low visibility, wires are harder to see at night.
- When encountering electrical wires maintain a safety zone. Do not step on any wires.
- *When you see an emergency involving electricity, **DO NOT** render aid to the victim(s) until you have verified the power is off and the area is safe to enter.*

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